

Spring Brunch

AAUW Paradise celebrates another fine year!

Vista Village Clubhouse, Paradise * Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m. to noon
\$12 per person * Menu: Salads & dessert catered by Chico Natural Foods
RSVP to Carol: 873-6906 or carol@holzgrafe.com

RSVPs are a must: mail your \$12 check to Carol Holzgrafe (home address) by Wednesday, May 18

Guests: Our Tech Trek campers (and a parent) for 2016. You will love them all.

As a special treat you will have almost unlimited time to chat with friends, review the year, thank your board members and enjoy a morning of perfect weather. We promise!

■ Directions To Vista Village

From Paradise: Drive down Skyway to the lower end of Paradise (past Neale Rd. and the split). Turn left at the Vista Village sign (Vista Village Drive, just past the first Russell Ave. which is on the right). Take the **first right** inside the development, drive down to the clubhouse/pool area (visible) on the right. **Turn right** (Granada Vista Drive) to parking. (You'll see the pool).

OR, if you miss the first entrance to VV, drive to the next street – Skyway Crossroads - and turn left (this is the road that connects Up-Skyway to Down-Skyway at the Entering Paradise sign.) Turn left into Vista Village; the clubhouse/pool are on your left. Lots of parking. Stairs (14, with handrails) down to the clubhouse are in the middle.

From Chico: Drive up Skyway to Skyway Crossroads (by the Entering Paradise sign); turn left, then right into Vista Village. The clubhouse/pool are on your left. Lots of parking.

Avoiding steps/handicapped parking: If you want to avoid the 14 steps from the parking area to the clubhouse, go to the end of the street (past the parking spaces), make a left down to the handicapped parking by the clubhouse. Questions: Carol Holzgrafe, carol@holzgrafe.com or 873-6906

■ The View From The Top



Saturday, May 21st is the date for our Spring Luncheon. It will be held at the Clubhouse at Vista Village. Vista Village is located off Skyway as you are going down to Chico or if you are coming up from Chico, it is before you come into Paradise, off Skyway. We will have more detailed directions when we send you the reminder notice. We are trying to keep the cost reasonable, but we are still talking to various caterers and will let you know how much it will be as we firm up our plans.

As is our tradition, we invite the girls selected for Tech Trek, Davis this summer to join us at the luncheon, so that our membership can meet them. This year we are sending 4 girls to Tech Trek again! Dues notices are going out with this newsletter. You may bring your dues to the Spring Luncheon and our treasurer will be happy to accept them at that time, or you can mail them in. Timely payment of your dues enables us to continue operating and allows you to participate in all the many programs and interest groups that our Branch offers.

We look forward to seeing you at the Spring Luncheon.

Sue Griffin, Facilitator



■ Tech Trek 2016

We have our Tech Trekkers! Lilly Williams-Chambers (Pine Ridge Middle School in Magalia), J'Lynn Alstad (Paradise Charter Middle School), Grace Polk (Achieve Charter Middle School) and Kylee Winebarger (Paradise Intermediate School) will attend Tech Trek at UC Davis, July 10-16 on scholarships provided by our members (thank you all very much).



You can meet these perfectly wonderful future scientists and engineers at the May brunch.

The selection committee (Sue Griffin, Mary Huntsinger, Linda Brannam and Carol Holzgrafe) is pleased to be able to offer the Tech Trek experience to one girl from each participating school.

We would also like to thank Jan Keller for securing a \$500 grant from the Paradise Elks Club for our 2017 Tech Trek fund.

Would you like to visit TT Davis and see what camp is about? You would visit each classroom, see our girls at work, talk to their teachers, the camp directors and people from other branches. Branch Visitation Day will be Thursday, July 14. Contact Carol Holzgrafe if you might want to go. We will carpool, lunch in and visit downtown Davis and can even tour the campus if you prefer.

Carol Holzgrafe
Tech Trek Committee

■ Women's History Book Fund

This is my third year researching, buying and presenting the books to PUSD.

Each year I am pleased to see an increase of women in history topics. We

of Paradise Branch AAUW have the opportunity to educate our local school students about women's role in history. This is only possible because of Paradise AAUW member's generous donations over the years.

I made my yearly book presentation to the new Curriculum and Instruction Director, Michelle John. She was thrilled with the topics and scope our books covered. She sent us a lovely thank you card that we greatly appreciate. Curriculum Director Michelle explained that she was hosting a District Curriculum meeting the next week at which she would distribute the books. We later received thank you cards from four different schools telling us how much they appreciated our wonderful books for their libraries and students.

Here is a sample of some of the books we bought and donated this year:

Hillary Rodham Clinton - Dreams Taking Flight

Fearless: the Story of Racing Legend Louise Smith

Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women

Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad

Ida M. Tarbell: The Woman Who Challenged Big Business--and Won!

Mama Went to Jail for the Vote

Only Passing Through: The Story of Sojourner Truth

I have the complete list of books donated to PUSD since we started the program about five years ago. If anyone wish to see the list, just email or call me.

Donate in honor of, in memorial of a friend, AAUW member or others, just fill out the form, add your check and mail to our Postal box. I have the forms with me at our meetings and they are in our September newsletter.

Thank you all again for your donations to our Women's History Book Fund!

Paulette Jones, Book Fund Chair



■ Share The Fun

Help Oroville AAUW Branch raise money for Tech Trek and have fun at the same time! Plan to attend their Wine Tasting event on Sunday, May 22nd from 2 - 5 p.m. This event will be held at a lovely home, 82 Data Way in Oroville. Wine and appetizers: \$20. Call Mary Huntsinger at 872.2612 to carpool.

■ Membership News

Linda Graham

Born and raised in Lancaster County Pennsylvania, Linda received a BS degree in Child Development and Psychology from Penn State University. She first joined AAUW after receiving this degree.

Linda's first professional career was as a social worker in San Diego for five years. It was soon thereafter that she returned to school to obtain a teaching credential. She then taught elementary school in Salinas for 27 years, then served as a consultant for five years.

Relocating to Nevada City, Linda then taught for five years at Sierra Christian School and she also ran a math tutoring school.

Upon retirement, Linda and her husband Larry, who had grown up in Butte County, moved to Paradise to "downsize" and to be closer to Larry's relatives. Linda also has a brother living in Paradise.

Linda has two daughters who are teachers in Salinas. Linda plays first clarinet in the Paradise Community Band.

Peg McMahon

A resident of Paradise for 42 years, Peg joined AAUW in March. She had a 23 year career at Feather River Hospital, working in diverse areas, human resources, infection control and as an employee health nurse.

Peg is the mother of three children, two of whom live in Paradise. She has five

grandchildren ranging in age from 8 to 26 years old.

A lot of her time is spent in taking care of her grandchildren, but in her leisure time she enjoys scrapbooking, quilting, swimming, reading and singing with the Community Chorus. She has a new-to-her dog named Charley.



Mary Huntsinger, Membership Director

AAUW rules require branch members to vote to accept (or not) candidates for President/Facilitator, Treasurer and Secretary.

You may vote at the May 21 event or, if you won't be attending, email or call Carol Holzgrafe, 873-6906 or carol@holzgrafe.com before then. (Email preferred if possible for you). Thank you.

President/Facilitator: Sue Griffin

Finance – Carol Holzgrafe

Secretary – Dianne Lorenz

Membership – Mary Huntsinger

AAUW Funds – Lani McManus

Public Policy – Carol Holzgrafe

Newsletter Editor and Webmaster – Alex Lorenz

Historian – Marygrace Colby

Directory and By Laws – Lynn Eads

Woman's History Presentations – Lani McManus and Linda Brannam

Interest Groups – Dianne Lorenz

Tech Trek Coordinator – Carol Holzgrafe

Women's History Book Fund: Paulette Jones

Publicity – Jan Keller

Sunshine – Laurie Baker



■ Upcoming Events

Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 10, 2:30 p.m.
Sue Griffin's home

Out-to-Lunch Bunch

Thursday, May 12, 11:30 a.m.
Unwined, 980 Mangrove, Chico
Meet at Paradise Park-N-Ride at 11 a.m.
to carpool. Mary Huntsinger: 872.2612.

Tech Trek Picnic

Friday, May 13, 5:30 p.m.
The Lott House in Oroville
Sandwich & Drinks provided
Bring \$10 and a salad or dessert
Contact: Carol Holzgrafe: 873.6906

Morning Books

Thursday, May 26, 10 a.m.
Hosting: Restaurant TBD

Wednesday Bridge, 1 p.m.

May 4, Hosting: Karen Hilleman

Wine & Whine

Thursday, May 19, 5:30 p.m.
Hosting: Carol Holzgrafe
Let Carol know if you are bringing
wine or appetizer.

Friday Bridge, 1 p.m.

May 20, Hosting: Rosemary Peterson

Spring Luncheon

Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m. - noon
Vista Village Clubhouse, Paradise

Potluck Group

Contact Shandy Moore



■ Public Policy

Supreme Court Hears Follow-up to Hobby Lobby

Last month, the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments in *Zubik v. Burwell*, a set of consolidated cases that pose a looming threat to women's access to reproductive health care. In 2014's disappointing *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* decision, the Supreme Court ruled that **some corporations** can't be required to cover contraception through their employee health insurance plans. Following on the heels of *Hobby Lobby*, a number of religiously affiliated nonprofit organizations filed suit to limit contraceptive coverage even more. Although the Affordable Care Act includes an **AAUW-supported** accommodation for religiously affiliated nonprofits that object to contraceptive care on religious grounds, a small number of religious nonprofits claim that the accommodation does not go far enough. Those nonprofits are the plaintiffs in *Zubik*. Oral arguments suggested that the court might seek some alternative method for ensuring employee access to health care. Stay tuned to *LAF Express* for more information.

Carol Holzgrafe, Public Policy

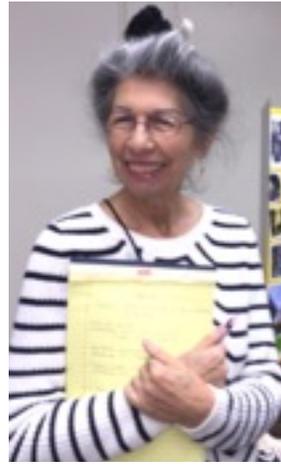
■ Dues are Due

It's time to renew your AAUW membership.

Think of all the fun we've had this year, with more to come in the next, then get out your checkbook and grab the Dues Insert page (attached). Directions are included. We must submit our renewing list of members and their checks by June 30 so, please, help us meet the deadline. You may bring your check to the May 21 brunch and save a stamp.



Women's History Presentation at the Paradise Library



Awarded at the State Convention for our Women's History Project



Out to Lunch Bunch at the Foodie Cafe in Chico



Jan, Julia & Colette enjoy Wine & Whine at Lorenz's home in Paradise



Musicians who accompanied the Louise Clapp presentation



Grace Polk J'Lynn Alstad Kylee Winebarger Lilly Williams-Chambers
Our 2016 Campers